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GREENWOOD CREEK BRIDGE REPLACEMENT BEGINS

EUREKA – Caltrans announced today that construction has begun at the Greenwood Creek Bridge Replacement project. Greenwood Creek Bridge, located on Route 1 near the town of Elk, was built in 1956 and is nearing the end of its service life. It is in need of deck rehabilitation and rail replacement, and it is narrow by today's standards. The river channel has also migrated which has exposed a bridge footing.

The new bridge will be wider and safer for all users, including motorists, pedestrians, and bicyclists. It will include 12 foot lanes, 6 foot shoulders, and a 5 foot wide protected pedestrian path which will become part of the California Coastal Trail. The total project cost at completion is estimated to be \$20.5 million.

One-way traffic control will be in effect from 7AM to 4PM, weekdays, and motorists should anticipate 10-minute delays. This traffic control will be in effect intermittently through mid April when temporary traffic signals will be installed and the one-way traffic control will be in place 24 hours per day, seven days per week. The 24/7 traffic control will continue until the project is completed, which is anticipated by fall 2014.

The contractor is Golden State Bridge, Incorporated, of Martinez. For the most current road information on all State highways, please call 1-800-427-7623 (1-800-GAS-ROAD) or visit www.dot.ca.gov

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